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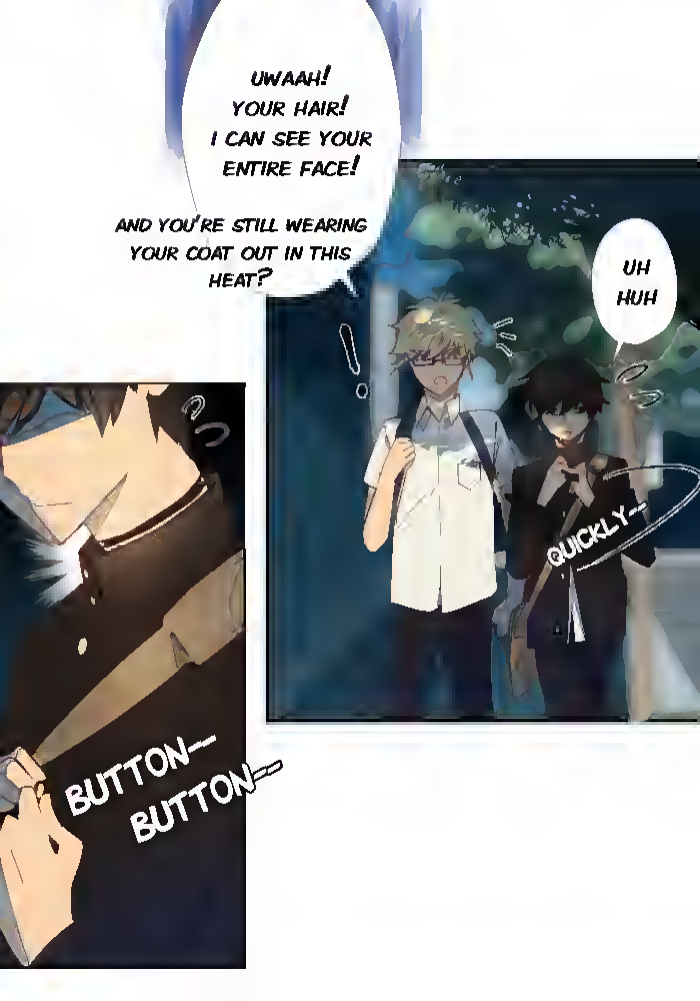
LEON?
JOHAN!


UWAAH!
YOUR HAIR!
I CAN SEE YOUR ENTIRE FACE!
AND YOU'RE STILL WEARING YOUR COAT OUT IN THIS HEAT?
UH HUH
@UICKLY--
BUTTON--
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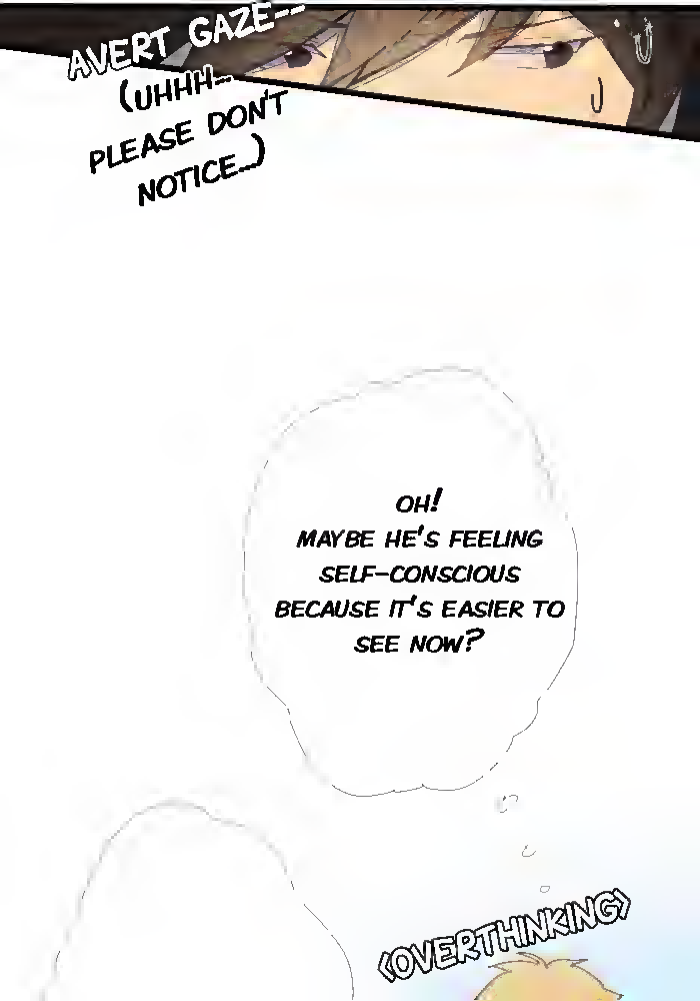
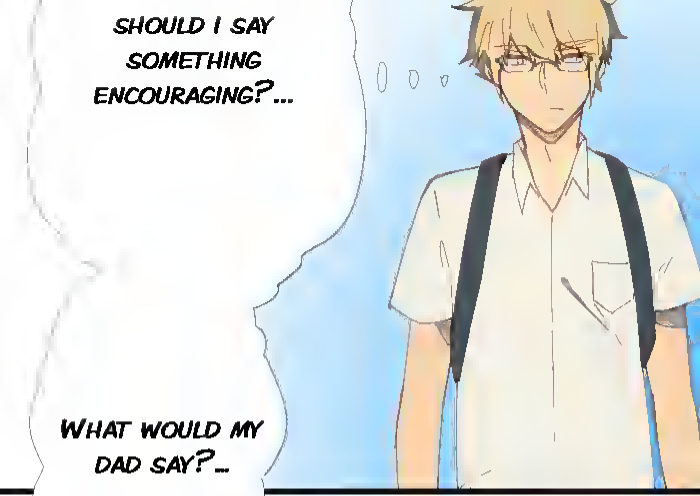
IS THAT SOME KIND OF NECKLACE?
HMMM...
DID HE ALWAYS WEAR THAT? I NEVER REALLY NOTICED WITH HIS LONG HAIR IN THE WAY.
WHY IS HE HIDING IT?


AVERT GAZE--
(UHHH--
PLEASE DON'T
NOTICE--)
OH!
MAYBE HE'S FEELING
SELF-CONSCIOUS
BECAUSE IT'S EASIER TO
SEE NOW?
(OVERTHINKING)


SHOULD I SAY SOMETHING ENCOURAGING?...
WHAT WOULD MY DAD SAY?...

Y-YOU KNOW...
Um!
YOU SHOULD BE WHO YOU ARE, AND NOT WHAT OTHERS WANT YOU TO BE.

STEP
STEP
STEP

AND...
YOU SHOULDN'T
BE--

HAAH?
...ASHAMED OF THAT...

BUT...
UM...

IT'S JUST THAT...
YOU'RE BEING UNUSUALLY TIMID.
(AND I CAN TELL BECAUSE I'M LIKE THAT TOO..)

I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE TRYING TO HIDE THAT NECKLACE YOU'RE WEARING BUT--
GASP!!
I ACCEPT YOU! SO YOU DON'T NEED TO BE SHY!

YOU CAN BE AS FASHIONABLE AS YOU WANT! YOU ARE YOU AND THAT'S FINE WITH ME.

(IS WHAT I WOULD WANT SOMEONE TO SAY TO ME..)

I WONDER IF HE KNOWS THAT HE WOULDN'T LOOK SO INTIMIDATING IF HE JUST SMILED MORE.

WHAT IS THIS BRIGHT AND BLINDINGLY PURE LIGHT?

AAH.

WAIT, YOU'RE MISUNDERSTANDING HERE. THIS ISN'T REALLY ME.

REALLY.

JOHAN?

WHA--

WHAT'S WITH THIS ATMOSPHERE?

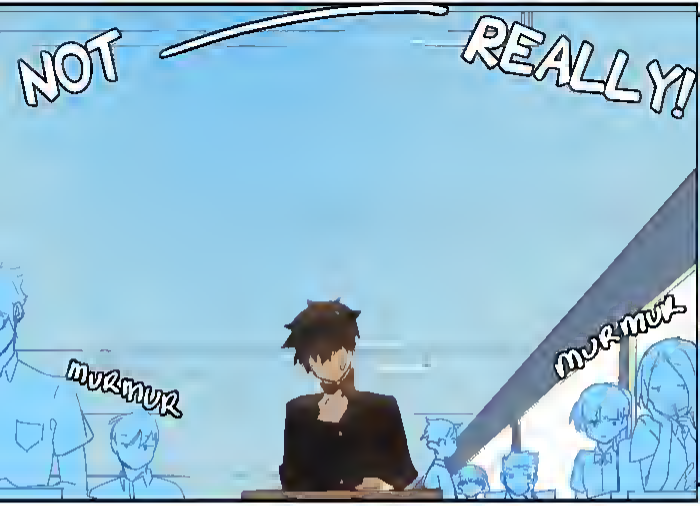
(AGAIN!!)

THEY CAN ALL SEE IT!!

THEY CAN ALL SEE MY COLLAR!
I BET THEY'RE THINKING WEIRD THINGS OF ME...

THIS IS TOO MUCH ATTENTION IN MY LIFETIME.

I CAN FEEL THEM ALL STARING!!


NOT
REALLY!
MURMUR
MURMUR

!
LEON!

HEY LEON!
YOU GOT YOUR OLD HAIR BACK!

YOU LOOK GOOD!

...BUT COMPLEXION-WISE YOU DON'T LOOK SO WELL...

BUT NO,
I'M GOOD...
I'M FINE.
YUP.